



Our Ref: KH/AC/cc/DofE update

15th November 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Duke of Edinburgh

Barr Beacon School
www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk

We are delighted that your child has opted to take part in the prestigious Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. We are writing to update you on the next steps of the award.

Whilst many people believe that the expeditions are the main part of the award, you will be aware that there are three other sections that your child must complete in order to successfully attain the award.

The volunteering, physical and skills sections are just as important as the expedition section and details about what they entail can be found [here](#). We are able to offer support and guidance about what pupils can do. However, we cannot organise this for them, it is something they must do themselves.

In order to ensure that your child is clear on what they must do for each section, we will be holding an after school session on Wednesday 23rd November 2022 from 3.15-4.15pm.

This is a compulsory session and attendance will be recorded. Please let us know via postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk if your child will be unable to attend.

Following this meeting your child will have two weeks to decide what activities they would like to participate in and make arrangements where necessary. On Wednesday 7th December 2022, we will hold another after school session from 3.15-4.15pm to get your child set up with an eDofE account. Again, this is a compulsory session. This will allow your child to then submit their proposed activities for approval.

With over 150 Duke of Edinburgh Participants it may take my team some time to go through and approve all sections. However, rest assured that before the Christmas break your child will be able to see on their eDofE if their proposal has been approved. Once it has been approved, your child will be able to begin their section.

In terms of the expedition element of the expedition, we are in the process of organising your child's training days and their qualifying expeditions and we will write with further details closer to the time.

Please do not hesitate to email Miss A Clarke (Assistant Headteacher) via postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Hibbs
Headteacher



Barr Beacon School
Old Hall Lane
Aldridge
Walsall
WS9 0RF
West Midlands



postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk

0121 366 6600

[@barrbeaconsch](https://twitter.com/barrbeaconsch)

